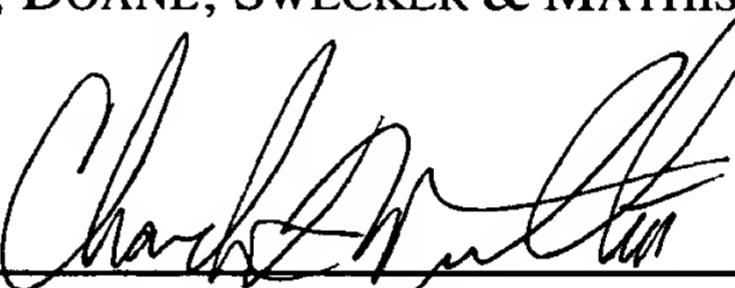


REMARKS

In reviewing the file upon receiving the filing receipt, it was noted that claims 22 and 23 were inadvertently presented as claims 14 and 15. We regret any inconvenience this may have caused. Claims 22 and 23 are presented above. Please disregard the Preliminary Amendment of February 6, 2001. Prompt and favorable action on the merits are respectfully requested.

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